Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 18 Feb 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 19 Feb 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 17 Feb 2022 at 16:42

Confidence: High for very unsettled often windy and wintry conditions, with some milder interludes, but lower with regard to details, even on Friday due to uncertainties in the exact track and depth of Storm Eunice.

Headline for Friday 18 Feb 2022: Persistent morning snow, afternoon snow showers. Bitterly cold and very windy

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 18 Feb 2022

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Heavy snow	Light snow	Heavy snow	Sunny intervals	Light snow showers	Light snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	>95%	70%	90%	10%	30%	40%	40%

Forecast for Friday 18 Feb 2022

Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of snow through much of the morning, heavy and persistent at times and perhaps turning to rain briefly below about 450m, with blizzards possible over higher slopes. Becoming drier and brighter from late morning with sunny spells developing and a few afternoon snow showers. The showers become occasionally heavy and more frequent towards dusk and may merge to give a longer spell of snow for a time in the evening. Lying snow will continue to drift and blow in the strong winds.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: Little chance through much of the morning becoming around 75% by midday, then 40% from late afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods or persistent cloud above 300-450m, perhaps becoming more occasional above 600m towards midday, then becoming occasional or periods above 450-600m from late afternoon. Otherwise visibility good falling to less than a kilometre in heavy snow and snow showers and near zero in blizzards and blowing or drifting snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/19 S	30/44 SE	28/41 S	46/66 NW	46/68 NW	38/57 W	39/58 W	37/54 W	32/48 W
300	8/14 S	19/34 E	15/29 S	28/50 NW	29/51 NW	24/43 W	24/43 W	23/41 W	20/37 W
Valley	7/14 S	16/31 E	12/27 S	25/48 NW	24/48 NW	21/41 W	20/40 W	19/38 W	17/33 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	-0/-6	-0/-8	1/-6	-2/-12	-2/-12	-2/-11	-2/-12	-2/-12	-2/-11
300	2/-2	1/-5	3/-2	0/-8	1/-7	1/-6	-0/-8	-0/-8	-0/-7
Valley	3/-0	2/-3	4/-0	0/-7	2/-4	2/-4	1/-6	0/-6	1/-5
<< Freezing Level*	500m	500m	600m	300m	300m	300m	200m	200m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Gusts around 80mph possible over ridges and summits, potentially higher depending on track of Storm Eunice

Forecast for Saturday 19 Feb 2022

Weather: A few snow showers and some sunny spells but soon becoming cloudier with outbreaks of mainly light snow. Drier for a time in the late afternoon and early evening then more persistent rain, preceded by summit snow, spreading east in evening.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30-40mph, gusts around 60mph over ridges and summits, backing southerly or southwesterly 15-20mph around dawn, increasing 30mph towards midnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: Around 25% through much of the day, but chances nearer 75% at first and again from mid-afternoon. Chances fall considerably in the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods or persistent above 450-600m, but cloud more occasional above 600m at first and again for a time in the late afternoon. Otherwise visibility good or very good falling to around a kilometre in any snow or snow showers, and several kilometres in evening rain.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Around zero Celsius rising to plus 5 or 6 Celsius
At 700m: minus 4 Celsius, rising to plus 2 Celsius in evening
Freezing level: Around 300m through much of the day, rising above summits through evening.

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